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LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, October 18, 1878.

Intimations.

HONGKONG RACES, 1878.

THIS MEETING will take place on THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, the 20th, 21st and 22nd February, 1879.

GENTLEMEN having suggestions to offer or Presentations to make are invited to communicate with the Clerk of the Course on or before the 19th Instant.

By Order, M. W. SAUNDERS, Lieut., R.A., Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, October 11, 1878.

HONGKONG RACES, 1878.

THE HONGKONG DERBY, a SWEEPSTAKES of \$20 Each, half forfeit if Declared on or before the Date of Closing Entries, with \$100 added for 1st Pony and \$50 for 2nd. For all China Ponies bond 12s Grifflins at Date of Entry (26th January, 1879). First Pony 70 per cent., Second Pony 20 per cent., and Third Pony 10 per cent. Weight 10st 7lb. One-mile-and-a-half. Nominations Close on SATURDAY, 21st December, 1878. Addressed to the Clerk of the Course, at the Hongkong Club.

By Order, M. W. SAUNDERS, Lieut., R.A., Clerk of the Course.

Hongkong, October 11, 1878.

CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

ADJUSTMENT OF BONUS FOR THE YEAR 1877.

SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company are requested to furnish the Undergirded with a List of their Contributions for the year ending 31st December last, in order that the proportion of the Net Profits to be reserved for Contributors may be arranged. Returns not rendered prior to the 31st October next will be adjusted by the Company, and no Claims or Alterations will be subsequently admitted.

JAS. B. COUGHTRIE, Secretary.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. no1

HONGKONG WHARF & GODOWNS STORAGE.

GOODS RECEIVED on STORAGE at Cheap Rates. FIRST-CLASS GODOWNS, under European supervision; and VESSELS Discharged alongside the WHARF, on favorable Terms, with quick despatch.

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Hongkong, August 28, 1878. no28

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In a Superior Style at Moderate Charges. Supto, QUEEN'S ROAD, Nearly opposite The Hongkong Hotel, Hongkong, September 18, 1878.

Intimations.

THE EASTERN EXTENSION AUSTRALASIA AND CHINA TELEGRAPH COMPANY LIMITED.

IN consequence of the present low Rates of Exchange, the CHARGES on all TELEGRAMS sent through this Office will be INCREASED 10 PER CENT. on and after the 1st NOVEMBER next.

J. ENSTON SQUIER, Superintendent.

Hongkong, October 30, 1878. no6

NOTICE.

THE BARON DO CERCAL reiterates that he will not hold himself RESPONSIBLE FOR DEETS Contracted by the BARONESS DO CERCAL.

Macao, October 29, 1878. no6

F. H. T. CHONG'S

begs to announce to the Community of Hongkong that he will be able to supply BEEF, MUTTON, &c., from 1st October, and trusts that they may grant him their support.

SHOP—WELLINGTON STREET, opposite the Cathedral.

Hongkong, September 20, 1878.

HONGKONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

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JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., General Managers.

Hongkong, August 1, 1878. no1

DENTAL NOTICE.

D. R. ROGERS begs to say that he intends VISITING AMOY and Fookow, leaving Hongkong September 15th, and Returning November 1st.

Hongkong, August 21, 1878.

NOTICE.

FROM the 1st of OCTOBER, DR. EASTLAKE will receive his PATIENTS at his new DENTAL ROOMS, No. 50, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, over the MEDICAL HALL.

Hongkong, September 28, 1878.

MURRAY & LANMAN'S FLORIDA WATER.

CAUTION.

HAVING Learned that Large Quantities of IMITATIONS of our FLORIDA WATER have recently been imported to Hongkong, we caution the Public against purchasing any that does not bear the name MURRAY & LANMAN on the label. Each Bottle of the Genuine is wrapped with a pamphlet printed on paper which has the words "LANMAN & KEMP, NEW YORK" in Water Mark. Measure MELOHERS & Co. are our only AGENTS for Sale of the Genuine Florida Water at Hongkong.

LANMAN & KEMP.

New York, July 9, 1878. no20

Intimations.

SEALED TENDERS will be Received by the Undergirded on or before SATURDAY, the 2nd Proximo, at 11 A.M. for the REPAIRS and RETILING OF ROOF of the ROBE STORE of this Yard, according to Specification, which can be seen on Application at the Naval Storekeeper's Office.

J. BREMNER, Naval Storekeeper.

ROYAL NAVAL YARD, Hongkong, October 26, 1878. no2

G. FALCONER & Co., WATCH AND CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS,

AND JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS AND BOOKS.

48, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, October 21, 1878. no20

MOORE & Co., "VARIETY STORE,"

NEWS AGENTS AND TOBACCONISTS.

No. 42, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, September 10, 1878.

THE GREAT NORTHERN TELEGRAPH COMPANY.

HONGKONG OFFICE, October 30, 1878.

IN consequence of the present low rates of exchange the charges on all telegrams forwarded from this office will be INCREASED 10 PER CENT. on and after the 1st November next.

By Order, C. F. SCHULTZ, Superintendent, p. t.

no6

TENDERS will be Received up to 3 p.m., FRIDAY Next, the 1st Proximo, at the Office of the Undergirded, or by the Captain on Board, for DOCKING and Examining the British Bark "MARINA," also for REMETALLING her, if required.

Entertainments.

**THEATRE ROYAL,
CITY HALL,
HONGKONG.**
**THIS EVENING,
(THURSDAY), October 31st, 1878.**

**THE ROYAL ENGLISH OPERA
AND
OPERA BOUFFE COMPANY**
Will Repeat (by General Desire)
CHAS. LECOCQ'S COMIC OPERA
"GIROFLE-GIROFLA,"
In Three Acts.

MISS ELCIA MAY
as
GIROFLE-GIROFLA.

CAST OF CHARACTERS:
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Pedro, Mr. J. ROLLINGS.
Aurore, Miss E. DEANER.
Paquita, Miss CLARA STANLEY.
Pirates, Moors, &c.

MUSICAL DIRECTOR, Mr. F. PANIZZA.

The Operas are produced under the Sole
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MR. H. VERNON.

Tickets to be had and Seats secured at
Messrs KRUZE & Co's, where a Plan of the
Theatre may be seen.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
Dress Circle or Orchestra
Stalls..... Two Dollars.
Pit..... ONE DOLLAR.

Ladies unaccompanied by Gentlemen
cannot be admitted.
Hongkong, October 31, 1878. no1

HONGKONG TEMPERANCE HALL.

**THE OPENING ENTERTAINMENT for the
Winter will be given on MONDAY,
4th November, at 8.30 p.m., when "Pro-
fessor" LOTO will ask the Audience to spend
"AN EVENING IN FAIRYLAND."**
Programmes will be issued.

PRICES OF ADMISSION:
50 Cents and 25 Cents.
Hongkong, October 28, 1878. no2

Notices of Firms.

NOTICE.

**THE INTEREST AND RESPONSIBILITY of
Mr. DAVID ROBERT FENTON
CRAWFORD, of our Shanghai Firm,
CEASED on 31st March last.**
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.
Shanghai, October 10, 1878. no14

**NORTH CHINA INSURANCE
COMPANY.**

**FROM This Date, and during the
Absence of the Undersigned, Mr.
REGINALD DIGBY STARKY is author-
ized to Act as AGENT for the Company in
Hongkong.**
J. KENNARD DAVIS,
Agent.
Hongkong, October 15, 1878. no15

NOTICE.

**THE Interest and Responsibility of
Mr. ARTHUR CHART in our Firm
CEASED on the 31st December last.**
J. INGLIS & Co.
Hongkong, June 13, 1878. de13

NOTICE.

**MR NG MEI KUM otherwise called
NG HOK MUN is admitted a
Partner in our Firm from the 2nd
February, 1878.**

**TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG,
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West,
Hongkong, September 30, 1878.**

NOTICE.

**THE Interest and Responsibility of
the late Mr NG SIN FOO otherwise
called NG HOK SEN in our Firm CEASED
from the 2nd February, 1878.**

**TACK MEE, HOP KEE HONG,
No. 9 & 11, Bonham Strand West,
Hongkong, September 30, 1878. de30**

NOTICE.

**THE Interest and Responsibility of the
Undersigned in the Chinese Mail
華字日報 (Wah Tse Yat Po),
CEASED from the 1st August, 1877, but
Debts prior to that Date will be received
and paid by him.**
CHUN AYIN.
Hongkong, April 6, 1878

NOTICE.

**In Reference to the above, the Under-
signed has LEASED the Chinese Mail
from the 1st August, 1877, and has engaged
the services of Mr. LEONG YOK CHUN,
as Translator and General Manager of the
newspaper, which under its new regime
will be found to be, as hitherto, an ex-
cellent medium for advertising, especially
as the Manager is able to devote his whole
attention to the conduct of the Newspaper.**

**KONG CHIM,
Lessee of the Hongkong Chinese Mail,
Hongkong, April 6, 1878.**

Notices to Consignees.

**GERMAN STEAMSHIP VULCAN,
WINZEN, Master. FROM HAMBURG,
PENANG AND SINGAPORE.**

**CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above
Steamer are hereby informed that
their Goods are being landed and stored at
their risk in the Godowns of the Under-
signed, from whence delivery may be ob-
tained.**

Consignees wishing to take delivery of
their Goods from the Boats alongside the
Wharf are at liberty to do so.
Goods remaining in store after the 2nd
November next will be subject to rent.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless
written notice to the contrary be given
before Noon To-day.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
**W. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.**
Hongkong, October 28, 1878. no2

Not Responsible for Debts.

**Neither the Captain, the Agents, nor
Owners will be Responsible for any
Debt contracted by the Officers or Crew
of the following Vessels, during their stay
in Hongkong Harbour:**

IMPERATRICE ELIZABETTA, Austrian ship,
Capt. Hreglich.—D. Musso & Co.
GLAMIS, British bark, Captain Key.—
Russell & Co.

BERTHOVEN, German bark, Capt. R.
Haje.—Melchers & Co.

LORD MACAULAY, British bark, Capt.
R. B. Monkman.—Wm. Pustau & Co.

FONTENAY, British ship, Capt. Geo. B.
Taylor.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.

SPINAWAY, Brit. bark, Capt. Pringle.
—Simmons & Co.

COMMISSARY, British ship, Captain A.
Morrison.—Meyer & Co.

PEIKO, German bark, Captain O.
Christiansen.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
PITANILLA, British bark, Captain
Wallace.—Captain.

Not Responsible for Debts of Crew:
HERAT, British ship, Captain Chas.
Robertson.—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

To-day's Advertisements.

NOTICE.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.**

The Company's Steamship
"TANIS,"
Commandant DE LA MARCELLE,
will be despatched for YOKO-
HAMA on FRIDAY, the 1st November,
at Daylight.

**H. DU POUEY,
Agent.**
Hongkong, October 31, 1878.

NOTICE.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.
PAQUEBOT POSTE FRANCAIS.**

The Company's Steamship
"AMAZONE,"
Commandant DIDIER, will be
despatched for SHANGHAI
on SATURDAY, the 2nd November, at
6 a.m.

**H. DU POUEY,
Agent.**
Hongkong, October 31, 1878.

**COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES
MARITIMES.**

S. S. AMAZONE.

NOTICE.

**CONSIGNEES of Cargo per S. S.
Copernicus, from London, in con-
nection with the above Steamer, are hereby
informed that their Goods are being
landed and stored at their risk at the Com-
pany's Godowns, whence delivery may be
obtained immediately after landing.**

Optional Cargo will be forwarded on
unless intimation is received from the Con-
signees, before To-day, the 31st Inst., at
2 p.m., requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
the Undersigned.

Goods remaining unclaimed after THURSDAY,
the 7th November, at Noon, will be
subject to rent and landing charges.
No Fire Insurance has been effected.

**H. DU POUEY,
Agent.**
Hongkong, October 31, 1878.

FOR HOIHOW.

The Steamship
"ALBANY,"
Capt. F. ASHTON, will be de-
spatched for the above Port
TO-MORROW, the 1st November, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, October 31, 1878. no1

FOR SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.

The Steamship
"KWANGTUNG,"
Capt. BURCHARD, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports
on TUESDAY, the 5th November, at Day-
light.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, October 31, 1878. no2

FOR PORT DARWIN, SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

(Taking through Passengers and Cargo
to New Zealand.)
The Eastern and Australian
Mail Co.'s Steamer
"NORMANBY,"
Capt. KELLS, shortly ex-
pected from Singapore, will have quick
despatch as above.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
**GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.**
Hongkong, October 31, 1878.

To-day's Advertisements.

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.
The Steamship
"CHINKIANG,"
S. M. Oat, Master, will be de-
spatched for the above Ports TO-
MORROW, the 1st November, at Noon.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIMMONS & Co.
Hongkong, October 31, 1878. no1

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

Oct. 31, Peiho, German bark, 251,
C. Christiansen, Newchwang Oct. 19, Pea.
—ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.

Oct. 31, Chinkiang, British steamer, from
Canton.

Oct. 31, Hoi-chong-ching, Chinese gun-
boat, from Canton.

Oct. 31, Cheong Hock Kian, Brit. str.,
958, Fred. Webb, Penang Oct. 19, and
Singapore 22, General.—BUN HIR CHAN.

Oct. 31, Amazone, French steamer, 1902,
Didier, Marseilles Sept. 22, Naples 24,
Port Said 28, Aden Oct. 8, Colombo 13,
Galle 14, Singapore 20, Saigon 24, Mails
and General.—MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

Oct. 31, Pitaniilla, British bark, 472,
Wallace, Kobe (Japan) Oct. 21, General.—
CAPTAIN.

Oct. 31, Tartar, German brig, 256, H.
Kaemona, Newchwang Oct. 19, Beana.
—MELCHERS & Co.

Oct. 31, Kestrel, H. M. gun vessel, 592,
Fred. Edwards, Pakhoi Oct. 27, and Hol-
low 29, via Hail-ling-san harbour and Non-
chow Island.

Oct. 31, Anna Bertha, German bark, 468,
Petersen, Macao Oct. 28, Ballast.—
WM. PUSTAU & Co.

DEPARTURES.

Oct. 31, Canton, for Bangkok.
31, Kim Yung Tye, for Bangkok.
31, Douglas, for Coast Ports.
31, Yang-tai, for Europe, &c.
31, Chomron Kamrye, for Bangkok.
31, Madagascar, for Bangkok.
31, Hoi-chong-ching, Chinese gunboat,
for a cruise.

CLEARED.

W. E. Gladstone, for Quinhon.
Philippine, for Chetoo.
Bethoven, for Chetoo.
Chinkiang, for Shanghai.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Amazone, for Hongkong: from Mar-
seilles, Mr. and Mrs. Newton, Mrs. W. M.
Deane, Mr. and Mrs. Kyle, Mr. Arnold and
family, Messrs Noble, Patel, Bender,
Lichmure, Pet Anjin, Mad. Bender,
Messrs Keiser, and Butler; from Singa-
pore, Messrs V. d. Bristen, and Dunlop;
from Saigon, Messrs Rode, St. Antoine,
Daumont, Trang Nui Thong, Yeh Bay,
Hoi Siam, Lui Thi, Tram Tien, and 28
Chinese.—For Shanghai: from Marseilles,
Mrs. and Miss Ferguson, Mr. Milbank,
Mrs. Lines and 3 children, Messrs Bleker,
Mann, Jacquemier, Misses Penfold and
Powell, and Mr. Beranger.—For Yoko-
hama: from Marseilles, Mr. and Mrs.
White, Messrs Landierrez and Chenet.

Per Cheong Hock Kian, from Penang and
Singapore, 377 Chinese.
Per Tartar, from Newchwang, 3 Chinese.

DEPARTED.

Per Yang-tai, for Saigon, 11 Chinese; for
Singapore, Mr. D. da Costa and servant;
for Port Said, Mrs. Rodatz; for Marseilles,
Messrs Mann, Ortega y Castro, Lhura, A.
von Howell, A. N. Ferreira, Hardie,
Grube, wife and child, Mounroy, wife, 2
children and 3 servants.—From Shanghai:
for Saigon, Mr. Ferrand; for Marseilles,
Messrs Perdual, Findlay, Samson, Hagel-
stange, Hogg, Wheeler, R. P. Otten,
Colthorp, Baermann, Mrs. Baermann,
and Mr. Bondas.

Per Douglas, for Amoy, Rev. and Mrs.
Rapha.
Per Kim Yung Tye, for Bangkok, 10
Chinese.
Per Madagascar, for Bangkok, 1 Cabin.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The German bark Peiho reports:
First part of passage moderate N.E. mon-
soon, from Tong-ting to port strong N.E.
winds with heavy cross sea.
The British steamer Cheong Hock Kian
reports: Variable winds first part, latterly
strong monsoon and cloudy weather.
The British bark Pitaniilla reports:
Fresh Easterly winds throughout.

The German brig Tartar reports: First
part light N.E. breeze to Turnabout Island,
thence strong Easterly winds and heavy
sea to port.

POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS will close—

FOR NINGPO & SHANGHAI.
Per Chinkiang, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow,
the 1st November.

FOR HOIHOW AND PAKHOI.
Per Albany, at 11.30 a.m. To-morrow, the
1st Nov.

FOR SHANGHAI.
Per Amazone, at 5 p.m. To-morrow, the
1st Nov. Late letters received from
5.10 to 5.30, with 18 cents late fee.

**FOR PORT DARWIN, COOKTOWN,
SYDNEY, AND MELBOURNE.**
Per Charlton, at 11.30 a.m., on Monday,
the 4th November.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY, & FOOCHOW.
Per Kwangtung, at 5 p.m., on Monday,
the 4th Nov.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES PACKET.

The United States Mail Packet *Oceanic*
will be despatched on FRIDAY, the
1st November, with Mails for Japan,
San Francisco, and the United States,
which will be closed as follows:—

11.15 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.
11.30 a.m. Post-Office closes, but Letters
may be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage
until the time of departure.

Correspondence for Non-Union West Indies
(except the Bahamas and Hayti), Costa
Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New
Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can
no longer be sent by this route.

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POST OFFICE NOTIFICATIONS.

MAILS BY THE TORRES STRAITS PACKET.
The Australian Contract Packet *Brisbane*
will be despatched from Hongkong, on
TUESDAY, the 5th November, with
Mails for Singapore, Samarang,
Cocktown, Cleveland Bay, Bowen,
Keppel Bay, Brisbane, Sydney, Tas-
mania, New Zealand, and Melbourne.
Correspondence cannot be Registered after
11.15 a.m.

The Mails will be closed at 11.30 a.m.
Supplementary mail on board with late
fee of 18 cents till time of departure.
Correspondence for Southern and Western
Australia can be sent by this route if
desired, but as a general rule it is
better to send it via Galle.

HONGKONG, Oct. 23, 1878.

MAILS BY THE BRITISH PACKET.

The British Contract Packet *Nizam*
will be despatched with Mails for the
Straits Settlements, Batavia, Burmah,
Ceylon, India, Aden, Egypt, Malta,
Gibraltar, Europe, and countries served
through London, on THURSDAY,
the 7th November.

N.B.—This Packet carries no mails for the
Australian Colonies, E. or S. Africa,
nor for Mauritius.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 6th November.—
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes.
6 p.m. Post Office closes except the Night
Box, which remains open all night.

Thursday, 7th November.—
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale
of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters. Registry ceases.

10.15 a.m. Letters may be posted with
LATE FEE of 18 cents extra
to Postage till
11 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

11.30 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)
addressed to the United Kingdom
Via Brindisi, or to Singapore, may
be posted on board the Packet with
Late Fee of 48 cents extra postage,
till
11.50 a.m., when the Mail is finally
closed.

HONGKONG, Oct. 23, 1878.

MAILS BY THE FRENCH PACKET.

The French Contract Packet *Adriatic*
will be despatched from Hongkong on
THURSDAY, the 14th November,
with Mails to and through the United
Kingdom and Europe, via Mar-
seilles; to Saigon, Singapore, Batavia,
Galle, Pondicherry, Madras,
Calcutta, Bombay, Aden, Suez, and
Alexandria.

The following will be the hours of closing
the Mails, &c.:—
Wednesday, 13th November.—
5 p.m. Money Order Office closes. Post
Office closes except the NIGHT BOX,
which remains open all night.

Thursday, 14th November.—
7 a.m. Post Office opens for sale of
Stamps, Registry of Letters, and
Posting of all correspondence.

10 a.m. Registry of Letters ceases.
11 a.m. Post Office closes except for Late
Letters.

11.10 a.m. Letters (but Letters only)
may be posted on payment of a
Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage,
till
11.30 a.m., when the Post Office Closes
entirely.

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Quotations.

HONGKONG, October 31, 1878.

OPIMUM.—New Patna, cash... \$582 1/2
credit,
" Old Patna, cash... 562 1/2
credit,
" New Benares, cash, 540
credit,
" Old Benares, cash, 540
credit,
" New Malwa, cash, 780
credit, 785
" Allowance Teela, 8 & 24
" Old Malwa, cash,
" Allowance Teela,
" Allowance Teela,
" Allowance Teela,

QUICKSILVER, ... 63 1/2 & 64

Exchange.

Bank, on demand, ... 3/4
" 30 days' sight, ... 3/4
" 6 months' sight, ... 3/4
Credito, ... 3/4
Documentary, 6 months' sight, 3/4
Bombay, demand Rupees, 224
Calcutta, ... 224
Shanghai, demand, ... 72
" 80 days, ... 72 1/2
Bar Silver, 17 dw. B., ... 109 1/2 dom.
Sycee, ... 109 1/2
Mexicans, ... 109 1/2
Gold Leaf, 99 1/2 fine ... 27.70
English Sovereigns, ... 5.38
Australian Sovereigns, ... 5.38

Shares.

Hongkong Bank, 75 1/2 prem.
Union Ins. Society of Canton, \$1,700
China Traders' Ins. Co., \$1,500
Yangtze Ins. Assn., Tls. 720
Chinese Insurance Co., \$342 1/2
North China Ins. Co., Tls. 1,250
H.K. Fire Ins. Co., \$915
China Fire Ins. Co., \$230
H.K. & W. Dock Co., \$15 1/2 prem.
H.E. O. & M. S. Boat Co., \$12 prem.
Shanghai Steam Navigation, Tls. 17
China Coast St. Nav. Co., Tls. 100
Hongkong Gas Co., \$97 1/2
Hongkong Hotel Co., \$65
China Sugar Refining Co., \$160
Chinese Imperial Loan, £100
Do. of 1877, £103

Temperature.

(Taken at Messrs Falconer & Co's Premises,
Queen's Road.)
HONGKONG, October 31, 1878.

Barometer—9 a.m. ... 30.280
Do. 1 p.m. ... 30.176
Do. 4 p.m. ... 30.169
Thermometer—9 a.m. ... 78
Do. 1 p.m. ... 76
Do. 4 p.m. ... 75
Do. (Wet bulb) 9 a.m. ... 64
Do. Do. 1 p.m. ... 64
Do. Do. 4 p.m. ... 67
Do. Maximum ... 78
Do. Minimum over night

CARGO.

Per S. S. Yang-tai, sailed 31st October,
1878.—For Continent, 2,911 bales Silk,
260 bales Waste Silk, 68 bales Cocoons, 27
cases Silk, 21 cases Silk Worms Eggs, 60
cases Tea, and 649 pkgs. Sundries.—For
London, 551 bales Silk, 12 cases Silks,
20,414 boxes and 161 chests Tea, 103 cases
Sundries, and 32 boxes Treasure (\$376,400.)

MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Shipping.

Daylight.—Tanais leaves for Yokohama.
Noon.—Occidental & Oriental S. S. Co.'s
Steamer leaves for Yokohama and San
Francisco.

Noon.—Chinkiang leaves for Ningpo, &c.
Noon.—Albany leaves for Hoihow.

Auction.

Noon.—General Weekly Sale by Messrs
Lane, Crawford & Co.

Tenders Close.

Tenders for Docking, &c., of the Bark
Marina, will be received at the office
of the Agents or by Capt. on Board up
to 3 p.m.

Meeting.

9 p.m.—Meeting of Zetland Lodge.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, November 2:—
6 a.m.—Amazone leaves for Shanghai.

11 a.m.—Tenders for Repairs, &c. of the
Rope Store, will be received by the
Naval Storekeeper.
Goods per Vulcan undelivered after this
date subject to rent.

MONDAY, November 4:—
Noon.—Charlton leaves for Port Darwin,
&c.

8.30 p.m.—Entertainment at Temperance
Hall, Stanley Street.

TUESDAY, November 5:—
Daylight.—Kwangtung leaves for Coast
Ports.

Brisbane leaves for Singapore, &c.

THURSDAY, November 7:—
Noon.—English Mail leaves for Ports
of Call and Europe.

HAVING written to Canton to obtain, if possible, some information regarding the rebel hosts said to be swarming in the neighbourhood of that fated city, a well-informed correspondent replies to us in the following hopeless strain:—"What are you driving at? We are in peace and quiet. No ragamuffins, Kwang-si or other. Perhaps the *Rossians* come across from Afghanistan. Haven't seen the *Press*, but there evidently has been a nightmare. Been say a dozen miles up the river to-day and returned. Didn't meet a Turk at all!"

The Band 74th Highlanders will perform the following programme at the Office's Mess to-morrow night commencing at 9.15 p.m.:—
Quadrille,.....Soldiers,.....Faulwetter.
Overture,.....Il Conte d'Essex,.....Mercadante.
Selection,.....Bliss d'Amore,.....Donizetti.
Valse,.....Queen of the Fete,.....Cooke.
Selection,.....Scotch,.....Cavallini.
Galop,.....Babil and Bijou,.....Rivieri.
Mr J. BUCHANAN, Bandmaster.

We understand that a proclamation has been issued by the Chief Magistrate of Nankai, in accordance with instructions from the Viceroy, calling on the volunteers. This step has, however, nothing whatever to do with the rebels in Kwang-si, being merely a precaution taken towards the close of every year for the protection of the City against the raids of marauders who infest the country in the winter months. Other cities will follow suit in due course. Every wealthy or well-to-do household has to contribute 5 candareens and poorer folks 2½ candareens monthly towards defraying the expenses incurred in supporting these volunteers.

This points of law reserved in the charge of embezzlement against F. S. Hoffman, are to be argued next Saturday, as the arguments have not yet been prepared. There was a civil case set down for hearing to-day—Lo Mui v. Hu Mui and another—which has also been postponed. The Attorney General said that he had been conferring with Mr Francis, who had made some objections and wished to have some matter inserted, which would help him to sustain his argument. The A. G. said that he should like to show His Lordship the decision they had arrived at, and as it was of the greatest importance that public business should take precedence of civil, he would ask to have the civil case set down for hearing to-day postponed, as otherwise it would be impossible to prepare the arguments in the criminal case by Saturday. His Lordship asked if Mr Hayllar was agreeable. Mr Hayllar said he was, but that he had to go to Canton, and would possibly not be back before Monday evening. The civil case was therefore adjourned until half-past 10 o'clock on Wednesday next.

A SOLEMN High Mass, with Pontifical assistance, was celebrated this morning by the Rev. Father Francisco Xavier da Silva, at the Roman Catholic Cathedral, Wellington Street, in thanksgiving for the happy reign of H. M. R. M. Dom Luiz I, whose 40th birthday anniversary our Portuguese colonists patriotically celebrate. H. E. the Governor and Mrs Hennessy, the French Consuls of Hongkong and Canton, and several of the leading Catholic residents attended by special invitation from Mr. Consul Barretto. At the conclusion of the mass the Right Revd. Bishop Raimondi gave the benediction; the fine organ of the Cathedral playing the Portuguese National Anthem.

A banquet, which was numerously attended, was given at the Lusitano Club last evening; several patriotic toasts were proposed, and at midnight the health of H. M. Dom Luiz was drunk with enthusiasm. Mr A. G. Romano, the worthy President of the Club, and Honorary Consul, was the mover of this celebration. To-night the Portuguese Amateurs will perform, at their theatre, the drama entitled "O Hermita de Cabana," to be followed by the laughable farce "Mariquinha, a estalajadeira." The façade of the Lusitano Club will be illuminated to-night, a well-painted portrait of the King being placed above the coat of arms of Portugal over the doorway.

We understand that, beyond the firing of salutes, there will be no other festivities at Macao, the Government House, which was destroyed by the typhoon of 1874, not being yet in a fit state for the usual celebration.

With reference to the recent murder at High Street, we give below an account of what occurred before the Magistrate, when the deceased and the 2nd defendant, now charged with deceased's death, were fined for quarrelling. The case appeared much too trivial to be noticed at the time, and judging from the account which we give below, which is copied from the depositions kindly shown us, there is nothing to indicate that the offence then committed was anything more than one of those ordinary street squabbles of which we may see dozens both here

and elsewhere daily. According to the evidence given before the Magistrate, the men were simply wrestling and used no bamboo or other dangerous weapon. Taking all these facts into consideration it was hardly surprising that the Magistrate should let the offenders off with a nominal fine. He, as is shown from the depositions, told the 2nd defendant (the unfortunate man who has since met his death) to summon the 1st defendant and his brother if they annoyed him again. A fine of 10 cents is a consideration to a coolie, but at the same time a fine should be such that the person fined shall feel it as a punishment. It would be much better to discharge a defendant with a caution in cases where the charge appears to be trivial.

Chan Afat, master of the On Sing Chan-dlers' shop, and Lun Ai, coolies were charged with behaving in a disorderly manner and creating a disturbance at High Street. P. C. 220 Ho Akwong declared stated: At about 10 a.m. to-day (25 October) the defendants were wrestling and creating a disturbance in High Street.

First defendant said: second defendant accused me and my brother of chaffing his wife, who was passing along the street. He was pulling me out in the street.

Second defendant (deceased) said: first defendant and his brother spoke improperly about my wife. I did not pull him.

Second defendant was recommended to summon the 1st defendant and his brother, and both defendants were fined 10 cents each by Mr Oresagh the sitting Magistrate.

(London & China Express, Sept. 20.)
The *Ferry Cross*, an iron sailing ship of 1,400 tons, built to class 100 A 1 Lloyd's, was launched on the 12th inst. by Messrs. Charles Connell and Co., Scotstoun, Clyde. The *Ferry Cross* has been built to the order of Messrs. J. D. Clink and others for the East India and China trade, and is a sister ship to the *Fiona*, launched by Messrs. Connell and Co. for the same owners.

The appointment of Sub-Lieutenant J. F. Stuart to the *Sheldrake* on the China Station, for navigation duties, is gazetted.
Vice-Admiral Robert Coote, C.B., who leaves England early in October to assume command of the China Station in succession to Admiral Charles Farrel Hillyar, C.B., who vacates that command on promotion, has selected Capt. Henry Foster Cleveland (1875), who is now taking out the *Iron Duke* as the new flagship, to relieve the *Audacious*, as his flag-captain. Capt. Cleveland's last command afloat was in connection with Admiral Sir Astley Cooper-Key's experimental squadron in the Channel, in command of one of the smaller turret-ships.
Sir Thomas Wade, K.C.B., has postponed his departure to China until the Messageries mail of Oct. 6. Lady Wade only proceeds to Egypt.

According to the *New York Herald* a new treaty has been signed at Washington between the United States and Japan, by which the two countries receive reciprocal commercial advantages from which all other nations are exempt, except on condition of accepting the same mutual obligations. The same paper alleges that a bitter quarrel occurred between the British Minister and the Government of Japan on the subject of quarantine regulations, which the Japanese authorities insisted on framing, notwithstanding the British Minister's refusal to acknowledge them.

Since our last notice the sum of £673 4s. has been subscribed to the "China Famine Relief Fund," including £250 additional subscription from the Dublin Committee, and £150 additional subscription from the Manchester Committee. The total amount now subscribed is £31,603 16s. 1d., and £14,000 contributed through the various Missionary Societies in England.

The Rev. James Lamont, who for the last five years has been pastor of the Congregational Chapel in Hongkong, recently arrived in England from the East. Since his return Mr. Lamont has, we believe, been offered the pastorate of several churches both in this country and America, but has not yet accepted one.

Le Moniteur de la Flotte announces that the gunboat *Lynx* arrived on the 23rd August at Aden, and proceeded the next day for Singapore, Saigon and the China Seas. The second-class ironclad *Armede* left Yokohama on the 18th July, and anchored the same day at Yokosuka. At the same date the corvette *de la Jeune* *Comma*, the third-class cruiser *La Hupon*, and the second-class gunboat *La Surprise* were at Chefoo, en route for Shanghai. On the 3rd August the despatch boat *l'Antelope* ascended the Saigon river to Quinhon and de Hue, and left on the 7th of the same month to revictual the establishment at Poulo-Condore. The third-class cruiser *Le Duchaffault* left Saigon on the 10th July for Borneo. According to the latest advice received of the *Bourayne*, third-class cruiser, she was still cruising in the Gulf of Tonquin. The health of the crew was satisfactory, but the gunboats *Hallebarde* and *Cavaliers* were both infected with sickness at the local station of Tonquin. News has been received by telegraph that the transport *La Rance* had left New Caledonia on the 20th August en route for Saigon.

Police Intelligence.
(Before J. J. FRANCIS, Esq.)
31st October, 1878.

TO-DAY'S FINES.

Lai Afat, hawking salt-fish in the streets. Fined 25 cents.
Chan Kin Wan, accountant of the Chang In Chan Shop 55 Bonham Strand West, firing crackers. Fined 51.
Chan King, shop coolie, firing crackers. Fined 51.
Chan Ahneng, manager of the "Yuk Wah" Leung shop 48 Bonham Strand West, firing crackers. Fined 51.
Tang Ayeo, a hawker, no pass. Fined 65.
Un Awo, a farmer, no pass. Fined 65.

DECEASED.

William Mudden, seaman American ship *George Skiffeld*, was charged with being a deserter, and sent to the U. S. Consul and thence to be held.

INQUEST.

THE HIGH STREET MURDER.

The adjourned inquest on the body of Sum Ayeo, was resumed on 31st at the Magistrate's. The following gentlemen comprised the Jury: Messrs J. G. Liddell, A. Gillanders, and A. F. dos Remedios.

Two or three of the men in custody gave evidence, but it was of a very rambling kind, and tended to show that the deceased and his wife were the first assailants and caused the quarrel.

The 3rd defendant said that it was the deceased who with 10 other men came to 1st defendant's house and dragged him out, saying he wanted to fight again. The loking drove them away and at 8 p.m. they returned, when 1st defendant was standing outside his door, and began to beat him. 1st defendant fought with them. A European constable then came up and arrested the 1st and 2nd defendants. He explained to the constable that 2nd defendant had been fined before and had not been fighting on this occasion, and the constable thereupon released him. He did not fight himself, but was sitting on the counter in the shop the whole time and had no bamboo in his hand.

Inspector Cameron sworn, stated that he took the 1st defendant to point out the two women whom he had said on Tuesday prevented the deceased from beating him, but he failed to point them out and said they simply passed the shop and he did not know where they lived.

The Coroner then read over the whole of the evidence, and commented on it at some length; he explained the nature of the difference between murder and manslaughter. A Juror said he thought it strange that deceased should be the only man injured, although, according to the 3rd defendant's statement, there were 10 men besides deceased, including his son, who were said to have taken part in the affray.

The Coroner said the same idea had occurred to him.

The Jury then retired, and after a short absence, returned a verdict of wilful murder against the first three defendants, and found the others to be aiders and abettors.

Canton.

Oct. 20th.

According to a Proclamation recently issued by the Nankai Magistrate the pawn-brokers of Canton are directed to reduce the amount of interest charged during the months of November, December, and January. If the ordinary interest is 3 per cent. a month, during these three months it will be reduced to 2 per cent. If 2 per cent., it will be reduced to 1½. If 1½ per cent., no reduction will be made. Interest for 10 days after due date not to be charged; if over 10 days, a month's interest to be charged. The meaning of this is that loans under Tia 10 pay 8 per cent. a month, or 36 per cent. a year. Loans under Tia 50 pay 2 per cent. a month, or 24 per cent. a year. Loans over Tia 50 pay only 1½ per cent. a month, or 18 per cent. a year, and are subject to no deduction of interest during the winter months. The above calculation of annual interest is made to suit European notions. As an intercalary month occurs after each year of 12 months, and each third year consists therefore of 13 months, it is not possible for Chinese to count their interest upon loans otherwise than by the month.

A notice has just been issued by the opium-bollers of Canton, calling upon all labourers in that craft to establish a guild for mutual protection. The local term for hired labour is 西家, in contradistinction to the term 東家, employer of labour. We shall have more to say upon the subject of the guilds of Canton hereafter.

CORRESPONDENCE.

To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL."

Oct. 31st, 1878.

SIR,—People professing to give information to the Public ought to know something of the matter about which they write, or if they do not, they ought at least to make some enquiries about matters upon which they wish to enlighten the Public. Not so, however, it would seem with your morning contemporary. If he has not the necessary material, he will not be silent, but must have something to say upon any subject if he is bent on it. The startling records of the rise and triumphant progress of the intrepid rebellious movement in Kwang-si, which have appeared in the columns of the *Daily Press* during the last few days, the correctness of which was properly questioned in your last evening's article, confirm the truth of this.

The presentation of the Memorial to His Excellency the Governor by the Chinese on Tuesday affords another theme to your contemporary for exercising his mental capabilities. Your contemporary dare not say definitely this time what the contents of the Memorial were; for if he did, he could be easily contradicted; but he would "admit the industry which effected such a result as the collection of 2,382 signatures to the memorial." It must have been brought about, he would have it, "by a systematic perversion of facts," and "the secrecy in which the whole affair has been conducted affords a striking contrast to the publicity which characterized the action of the European residents." The sheer ignorance of your contemporary about Chinese matters will be believed when it is said that the contents of the Chinese memorial referred to have been published in all the local Chinese papers, including the Chinese issue of the *Press*, during the past ten days; and if your contemporary would only have taken the trouble to make the least enquiry before he wrote, he would have been saved the mental exercise of his brains. To this subject I may revert on another occasion, but it is enough to show that no reliance whatever can be placed on information regarding Chinese matters furnished by your morning contemporary.

Yours obediently,
A. B. C.

ARRIVAL OF THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co.'s steamship *Amazona*, Captain Didier, from Marseilles, with the London mail of the 20th September, arrived here this morning.

TELEGRAMS.

(Straits Times Extra.)

St. Petersburg, Oct. 10.—The Russian Press has assumed an aggressive tone, and the Russians refuse to evacuate Burgos and Kikilissa (ninety and one hundred and ten miles respectively from Constantinople northwards.)

London, Oct. 12.—In consequence of a panic arising through a fire in a Liverpool Theatre, thirty-seven lives were lost and a great many people received injuries more or less severe.

Messrs Hough Balfour & Co. of Manchester have stopped payment, their liabilities being one million five hundred thousand pounds.

Constantinople, Oct. 13.—The Russian troops are returning to Adrianople.

The relations between Turkey and Austria are strained.

Turkish troops have been sent to Novi-bazar (at the southern point of Bosnia) to oppose the Austrian occupation.

London, Oct. 14.—The Bank of England has raised its rate of discount to 6 per cent.

Vienna, Oct. 16.—The Austrian garrison for Bosnia and Herzegovina has been reduced to 100,000 men.

Count Andrássy refutes the charges of cruelty made by the Porte.

Batavia, Oct. 17.—The Commander-in-Chief of the Dutch forces in Acheen telegraphs that Abdul Raohman, the Acheen leader, submitted at Anababo and was escorted to Kota Radja where the ceremony of asking and granting pardon took place in the presence of all the authorities.

Constantinople, Oct. 17.—The Sultan of Turkey has written to the Ameer, urging him to make an amicable arrangement with England.

The Governor of the island of Crete has signed an amicable arrangement with regard to the Cretans.

London, Oct. 19.—The result of the enquiry held on the stoppage of the City of Glasgow Bank shows that the actual loss exceeds six million sterling, for which the Shareholders are liable.

A course of systematic deception has been proved.

London, Oct. 20.—Sir Stafford Northcote, in a speech made at Birmingham, said the British Government was sanguine regarding the future of Turkey which it intends to preserve.

London, Oct. 21.—The Directors, Managers and Secretary of the City of Glasgow Bank have been arrested.

(From Indian Papers.)

Mandalay, Sept. 24.—The King has been dangerously ill for a month past. All the Princes were summoned on September 12th. Nyaungyan, the third in seniority, and the favored, trusted, adult son, believing his father to be dead and his life endangered, escaped to the British Residency with his whole family; the two eldest, already under arrest, were brought by an armed force and secured with the other princes inside the palace. The ministers in the King's name requested and urged the Resident to surrender the refugees. The Resident replied that the asylum of the English flag was inviolable and compulsion inadmissible. The King, a Prince of the Royal blood on both sides, is a steady, industrious, and successful student, 20 years old. He had been greatly distinguished by the King for several months past, and was on 19th September formally proclaimed heir and regent, the head Queen assisting the ministers. The other princes are closely imprisoned. Negotiations are proceeding for Nyaungyan's voluntary return with guaranteed safety and suitable dignity. Nyaungyan cheerfully acknowledges Theob. All is quiet, and order is perfectly maintained.

Mandalay, September 25.—Quiet still continues here. It is believed that the King's life is hopeless. He is in a state of hemiplegia. The ministers intimate a programme of progress, including the abolition of illegitimate monopolies and the removal of all trade taxes and restrictions. Reports have been received of a serious outbreak in Soistan, the district which was the subject of arbitration in 1872-73.

Lahore, Sept. 25.—The Mooltan Brigade starts for Dera Ghazi Khan on the 30th commanded by Brigadier Murray. It consists of the 70th, the 8th Bengal Cavalry, the 19th Punjab Infantry, also artillery (Pawse's Horse). The 26th Punjab Infantry leave Lahore to-morrow. The 16th Hussars are ordered to be in readiness. Fane is expected to command the Cavalry Brigade at Quetta. The Viceroy and the Commander-in-Chief are rumored to contemplate making Lahore their winter quarters.

Baroda, Sept. 25.—Regarding the Kabul crisis, intelligent native opinion here is in favor of the immediate occupation of the adjacent tracts of military value as punishment, leaving the Ameer to fight or submit. This course is preferable to carrying war to Kabul and incurring unknown risks and expense.

Lahore, Sept. 26.—The 15th Sikhs have started Mooltanwards. It is reported that the troops will assemble at Quetta and Thull, respectively, pending further orders. This, however, wants confirmation. It is said that a heavy siege train is to be ordered to the front.

Lahore, Sept. 27.—Sir Neville Chamberlain passed through Lahore for Simla yesterday. Troops are daily going through to Mooltan. Colonel Nuttall's force is unable to proceed from Jacobabad, and is going via Dehra Ghazi Khan with the Mooltan troops. Mooltan, it is believed, will be rendezvous for the present of 8,000 troops, including the Artillery. General Murray and Brigadier Major Ross are leaving at once. The 33rd Pioneer Inf. Simla on the 27th.

Indore, Sept. 27.—The intelligent portion of the native community of Indore think that this opportunity should be taken to settle what is the best line of the north-western boundary of India, which will be most difficult, if not impossible, for a foreign hostile army to cross with safety.

This line should be the best, physically, sanitarily, and financially. All the country within this line should at once be taken possession of and annexed to British India. Jubbulpore, Sept. 28.—Volunteers have been called for from among the subalterns of the artillery at Sahgar, all of whom without exception volunteered to meet im-

mediately. A few telegraph clerks from Jubbulpore and Bhowal have been already sent to the front.

Allahabad, Sept. 28.—The *Pioneer's* correspondent, telegraphing from Simla, on the 27th, says that nothing is known there of the Ameer's present attitude. The Government are anxious for the safety of Nawab Goolam Hussain, but it is too early for news about his return. According to the latest information, two Russian officers remain at Kabul, but it is believed that General Abramoff went to General Kaufman's headquarters some time ago. Maharajah Perab Singh of Jodhpore has reached Simla, and the other native members of the mission are expected shortly. Sir Neville Chamberlain and Major St. John are expected to-morrow.

The information already telegraphed regarding the constitution and staffs of the three columns may be effected by changes still under discussion, but the three chief commands are absolutely settled. The destination of the regiments is not liable to change, but the Commander-in-Chief may alter the disposition of the Quetta forces. No military arrangements are certain until officially announced. Sir Neville Chamberlain's direction of operations in the field is open to great doubt.

Simla, Oct. 4.—Reinforcements are now on their way to form part of the Quetta garrison. General Biddulph is Commanding. Staff—Major Wolsley, Assistant Adjutant General, Captain Stewart Moore, Bombay Army, is Assistant Quarter-Master General, Captain Hanna, Assistant to Colonel Hichens, Chief Engineer. Captains Bisset and Nicholson to be field Engineers. Some troops left Peshawar this morning possibly for Jummood, but the current belief is that a dash on Alimusjid is intended. There is no important news from Kabul no news considered authentic. Golan Hussain is believed to have started on his return journey. The Ameer is very wroth with the British Government for doubting to turn back the Mission if he chose. There are rumours that it is probable that the Supreme Government will winter at Lahore. Sir A. Arbuthnot is acting President of the Council during the Viceroy's absence.

Lahore, Oct. 3.—The Civil and Military Gazette says that the advances on Kabul has been abandoned. The demonstration in Afghanistan territory is only intended for the object of exacting an apology from the Ameer.

The first Sikhs and the first Mountain Battery march immediately from Kohat to Peshawar.

The Secretary of State confirms the extension of Colonel Young's appointment as Judge Advocate General for two years.

Colonel Houghton, of the Artillery, is promoted to Chief Garrison Instructor, vice Colonel Taylor, Bangalore, resigned.

Colonel Valliers, Military Secretary to the Viceroy, goes with the expeditionary force to Afghanistan.

Complaints continue to be made regarding the scarcity of carriages for moving troops.

Calcutta, Oct. 4.—Some of the Amir's Sipahis have been seen patrolling on the neutral ground near Jamrud fort.

A small force composed of 200 men from each of the regiments in the garrison of Peshawar, the Sappers and Miners, Batteries of Horse Artillery, and some foot-pounders, with the Guides and 1st Sikhs from Kohat, will march on Saturday to Jamrud, under the command of General Ross.

It is expected an attack will be made on Ali Musjid on Monday.

Four of the Amir's regiments and six guns are reported near the mouth of the Khyber Pass, three miles from Jamrud.

A native report states that the Amir is collecting troops.

Simla, Oct. 4.—Three Light Field Batteries are being got ready quickly at the Allahabad Arsenal. The Royal Artillery was warned yesterday to be in readiness to start at any moment for the Frontier, leaving their families here. The 31st Native Infantry, which had just returned from Cyprus, has been ordered to join the force on the Frontier and leave Calcutta to-day for Peshawar. The Kyberies offered some days ago to sweep the Kabulis out of the Khyber Pass. Considerable mutual hostility exists between the tribes and Cabul Afghani soldiers. The 20th Native Infantry report that the Cabul troops threaten to burn the huts and homesteads of the Pass Afghans because the latter declared for England. The 9th Foot and a Battery proceed to Nowshera to-day to recruit their health. Warlike stores of all descriptions are being collected at Kohat. It is reported that the Guides at present do not move from Kohat.

Bombay, Oct. 4.—Messrs W. Nicol & Co., one of the largest firms here, stopped payment to-day in consequence of the failure of the City of Glasgow Bank. A meeting of creditors will be held this afternoon.

It is rumored other firms are likely to follow.

Bombay, Oct. 4.—At a meeting of the creditors of Messrs Nicol & Co. to-day, it was resolved that the business be wound up by voluntary liquidation under the supervision of a Committee. Mr Robertson, Agent of the Oriental Bank, Mr Jackhall, Agents Messrs. Mr. Sharpe, Chartered Bank, Keweenaw Naik, and Parbhat Lacha, form the Committee. Several Banks here are heavy losers by the failure.

Constantinople, Oct. 4.—The Albanians have massacred a Pasha and 156 Turkish soldiers, and present the surrender of Podgoritz to the Montenegrins.

London, Oct. 5.—The *Times* says that the situation is serious, but does not require instant war without adequate military preparations. If meanwhile the Ameer apologises, he may yet escape punishment.

Allahabad, Oct. 5.—The 31st Regiment Native Infantry is ordered to go to Jubbulpore to relieve the 12th, who proceeded to the frontier instead.

Peshawar, Oct. 5.—Colonel Frier, officiating Deputy Commissioner of Dera Ghazee Khan, has been attached to the Quetta force as political agent, and Mr Christie, Assistant Commissioner of Kohat, to the Thul column. The Cabulites have driven nearly all of the pass Afghans within a few miles of Jummood. A Battery of artillery from Abbottabad is expected here. The mountain battery and the 1st Sikhs from Kohat have arrived at Peshawar. The detachments of the 6th and 31st Regiments at Nowshera and Cherat are to be recalled. A troop of the 10th Hussars and the mountain battery from Pindit Kohat are expected to-day. All officers are recalled to head-quarters. The Rifle Brigade leave Cherat as soon as transport is procured. All their signallers and those of the 9th, with some batteries and camel

ordered from Cherat and Peshawar, left on the 4th.

Bombay, Oct. 5.—The *Times* of India's special telegram from London Oct. 4th has the following intelligence:—

In connection with the suspension of the Glasgow bank the city article of to-day's *Times* says that Smith, Fleming & Co. are liable for cash advances amounting to £368,000; acceptances 2900,000.

Another firm owes the bank £770,000 advances, and £1,000,000 acceptances. A third firm owes £1,200,000 cash acceptances.

A fourth exhibits a debt of £500,000, making a total of £5,833,000 lent by the bank directly or indirectly to three or four firms, the reputation of one or two of which was anything but good some years back.

The editorial opinion expressed in the *Times* is that the bank managers conducted business on principles that have shifted day by day, and that a more reckless course of gambling with other people's money has never been pursued by anybody, managers or directors, and that such engagements could never have been entered into at all had not the weakest or most wilful speculation been given to the wildest speculation. The advances granted to these four firms, coupled with the negligent system of management, are the direct cause of the suspension, and are hardly short of criminal. It is now estimated that the Bank shows a deficit of £3,000,000, which in the knowledge of the directors and managers was accumulating year by year, yet the dividends steadily increased. The revelation of these details is fortunately accompanied by no fresh signs of disturbance in the money market.

A calmar feeling prevails to-day.

A circular has just been sent round by the solicitors of Smith, Fleming & Co., formally announcing that in consequence of the failure of the Glasgow Bank the houses of Smith, Fleming & Co., of London; Nicol & Co., of Bombay; and Fleming & Co., of Karachi, are compelled to suspend payment.

Intelligence from Bombay is looked for with some anxiety.

Smith, Fleming & Co.'s liabilities, £2,000,000, have been estimated to-day in Bombay.

The *Iron Duke* is in harbour, Captain Cleaveland, Lawrence Ching, Commander. She left Devonport on August 3rd bound for China to relieve the *Audacious*. She is armed with 14 heavy guns, four 64-pounders, 12 torpedoes, and 2 Gatling guns. The ship's company has a complement of 157. There is a Band on-board. She will leave Galle on Tuesday next. She left in the Red Sea one Officer, one Engineer and one Marine. The heat by the thermometer was 85.

Constantinople, Oct. 7.—The Russian Commissioner has announced that he will administer Roumelia according to the San Stefano and not the Berlin treaty. Other Commissioners have asked their respective Governments to instruct them in the matter. The Porte has finally refused the Austrian convention and has sent a note to the Turkish representatives abroad asking powers to compel Austria to conform to the declarations made at the Congress.

Italy has insisted on having a share in Egyptian administration.

London, Oct. 7.—The Cabinet Council that was held on Saturday to discuss the relations between England and Afghanistan lasted three hours. The *Standard* states that the prevailing opinion at the Council was that when once the Ameer feels that the British are in possession of the mountain passes he will submit. A more apology from him is deemed to be inadequate, and more solid guarantees will be required. Any attempt to patch up the question cannot be tolerated. The Cabinet Council decided that India should bear a portion of the expenses in connection with the Afghan business.

London, Oct. 8.—Stocks are improving: admissions of further failures are subsiding.

Consols on Saturday closed at 94½, being a rise of a quarter.

There has been depression in the stock markets owing to apprehended further failures. A panic has also taken place in Bank shares.

London, Oct. 9.—The *Times* supports the Viceroy's policy and action, and says that the future relations between England and Afghanistan will greatly depend on the conduct of the Ameer. It is necessary that we should take ample guarantees for the safety of our Indian Frontier, without asking Russia or any other power. England would gladly see the complete independence of Afghanistan provided the Ameer was friendly, but if he insists on acting as our enemy he must take the consequences.

Obituary: Mr Whalley, Member for Peterborough, and Lord Cheshamford. Consols yesterday closed 94½, being a rise of a quarter.

Constantinople, Oct. 9.—The Russian Ambassador here has informed the Porte that the withdrawal of the Russian troops from Turkey has been stopped in consequence of petitions received from Christians praying for the protection of the Russians.

London, Oct. 10.—Colonel Stanley, Secretary for War, speaking at a Conservative meeting at Blackpool, said the relations between England and Afghanistan had always been of a troubled nature. England did not desire to follow the policy of aggression and conquest, but must be watchful when her neighbours evinced an intention of handing over the key to another power. It was, he said, gratifying to hear that the Indian Army had given evidence of the best sentiments towards the Government at the present juncture.

Constantinople, Oct. 11.—The Russians have again occupied Tehekmedje and Tchaltaldja.

London, Oct. 11.—Disappointment is being felt in all quarters at the delay in seizing the Khyber Pass, and it is considered imperative that the Cabul and other passes should be occupied before winter. The Russian press is assuming an aggressive tone. The Russians refuse to evacuate Burgos and Kikilissa. The Russians have definitely occupied Kigiyart in Turkestan. Mr Caird has started for India in connection with the India Famine

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Steamers							
Albany	5 h	F. Ashton	Brit. str.	286	Oct. 30	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Holbow
Amazona	5 h	Didier	Brit. str.	1902	Oct. 31	Messageries Maritimes	Shanghai
Bombay	5 h	Reidell	Brit. str.	749	Feb. 12	Kwok Acheong	6th prox.
Brisbane	5 h	Reidell	Brit. str.	1700	Oct. 29	31b, Livingstone & Co.	Australian Ports
Charlton	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	786	Oct. 21	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	4th prox.
Cheang Hock Kian	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	956	Oct. 31	Bun Hin Chan	Swatow and Amoy
China	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	1036	Oct. 22	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Yokohama
Chinlung	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	799	Oct. 31	Siemens & Co.	Ningpo & Shanghai
City of Peking	5 h	Berry	Amer. str.	5079	Oct. 29	P. M. S. S. Co.	Yokohama & S. F. de la Malle
Daraboo	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	804	Oct. 28	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok
Fame	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	117	Oct. 28	H. K. & W. P. de la Malle	Tag Plying
Fatchoy	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	153	Oct. 14	Siemens & Co.	Coast Ports
Java	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	886	Oct. 28	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Bangkok
Kwangtung	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	675	Oct. 21	Siemens & Co.	Yokohama & S. F. de la Malle
Madagascar	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	884	Oct. 21	Siemens & Co.	Salon
Nornia	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	606	June 28	Kwok Acheong	To-morrow
Oceanic	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	3707	Oct. 16	O. & S. S. Co.	3rd, daylight
Quinta	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	874	Oct. 26	Sooy Shing	Yokohama
Sea Gull	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	48	July 18	W. H. Ray	Marseilles, &c.
Tamara	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	1766	Oct. 28	Messageries Maritimes	at daylight
Yang-tse	5 h	Johnson	Brit. str.	2451	Oct. 28	Messageries Maritimes	To-day
Sailing Vessels							
Albion's Isle	3 c	Burgess	Brit. bge.	864	Oct. 24	Rozario & Co.	New York
Aldebaran	3 c	Cole	Brit. bge.	398	Aug. 30	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Bangkok
Anton Gunter	3 c	Kuhn	Brit. bge.	440	Oct. 2	Edmund Schellhaas & Co.	
Beethoven	3 c	Hoye	Brit. bge.	356	Oct. 6	Melchers & Co.	New York
Benefactor	3 c	Haydon	Amer. bge.	596	Aug. 2	Russell & Co.	Calleo
Borneo	3 c	Shaw	Brit. bge.	738	Sept. 11	Meyer & Co.	New York
Challenge	3 c	Doughty	Brit. bge.	699	Sept. 16	Olyphant & Co.	Bangkok
Chamron Kamrye	3 c	Hunte	Brit. bge.	480	Sept. 24	Kin-tye-long	Cleared
Channel Queen	3 c	Lachet	Brit. bge.	609	Oct. 3	Edmund Schellhaas & Co.	
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Cocorah	3 c	Kannett	Amer. soh.	188	July 18	W. H. Ray	
Commissary	3 c	Morison	Brit. soh.	900	Oct. 23	Meyer & Co.	Valparaiso
Coamo	3 c	Laverick	Brit. soh.	1220	Sept. 1	P. & O. S. N. Co.	
Darimont	3 c	Robertson	Brit. bge.	915	Aug. 6	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Hamburg
Dirigo	3 c	Staples	Amer. bge.	684	July 14	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	
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Drumlog	3 c	Wayman	Brit. bge.	976	Oct. 15	Melchers & Co.	
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Fabius	3 c	Reeves	Brit. bge.	650	Sept. 24	Chinese	
Fleetwing	3 c	Guest	Amer. soh.	829	Oct. 17	Butterfield & Swire	
Fontenay	3 c	Taylor	Brit. soh.	635	Oct. 10	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	Singapore
Fuller	3 c	Armstrong	Brit. bge.	404	Sept. 24	Melchers & Co.	Calleo
George Skiffeld	3 c	Hall	Amer. soh.	1813	Sept. 19	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Gesine Brons	3 c	Trumbach	Brit. bge.	402	Oct. 21	Wm. Pustan & Co.	San Francisco
Glamis	3 c	Key	Brit. bge.	1150	Sept. 17	Russell & Co.	Yokohama
Hammonia	3 c	Weller	Brit. bge.	408	Oct. 10	Siemens & Co.	Costan Dock
Hera	3 c	Robertson	Brit. bge.	1400	Sept. 18	Jardine, Matheson & Co.	
Hermann	3 c	Bohndt	Brit. bge.	444	Oct. 30	Wielor & Co.	
Highlander	3 c	Hutchinson	Amer. soh.	1852	June 18	Captain	
Hoteper	3 c	Shaw	Brit. bge.	622	Sept. 20	Rozario & Co.	
Imperatrice Elisabeth	3 c	Heglich	Aust. soh.	1294	Sept. 24	M. Muso & Co.	
India	3 c	Pattin	Amer. soh.	464	Oct. 24	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	Amoy
Iphigonia	3 c	Green	Brit. bge.	504	Oct. 10	Wielor & Co.	Sands' Slip
Jessie Jamieson	3 c	West	Brit. bge.	896	Sept. 19	Adamson, Bell & Co.	
Leucadia	3 c	Mearns	Brit. bge.	504	Oct. 28	Arnhold, Karberg & Co.	
Lizzie Perry	3 c	Pittman	Brit. bge.	1122	Aug. 26	Russell & Co.	New York
Lord Macaulay	3 c	Monkman	Brit. bge.	848	Oct. 7	Wm. Pustan & Co.	Calleo
Louisa	3 c	Schleroh	Brit. bge.	245	Oct. 17	Edmund Schellhaas & Co.	
Lucky	3 c	Soderstrom	Brit. bge.	424	Sept. 30	Tack Mee	
Malvina	3 c	Kluge	Brit. bge.	479	Oct. 21	Wielor & Co.	Costan Dock
Maugerton	3 c	Thompson	Brit. bge.	839	Oct. 5	Wielor & Co.	
Maria	3 c	Jean	Brit. bge.	693	Oct. 19	Wm. Pustan & Co.	
Mary Fraser	3 c	Dexter	Brit. bge.	1174	Aug. 11	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	New York
Melrose	3 c	Plumer	Amer. soh.	994	Sept. 19	Captain	Costan Dock
Min-y-don	3 c	Lealle	Brit. bge.	1108	Sept. 8	Olyphant & Co.	